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- 11. Embassy Tashkent warmly welcomes and grants country clearance to House Committee on Foreign Affairs Staff Members Manpreet Singh Anand, Melissa Adamson, Gene Gurevich and Amanda Sloat for the proposed visit to Tashkent August 22. Post will meet Staffdel at the airport and provide transportation to and from the Embassy for a briefing with the Charge d'Affaires and other relevant Embassy officials. The control officer for your visit will be Political Officer Richard Fitzmaurice, office telephone number (998 71) 120-5450, cellular telephone (998 90) 370-0427, email address: FitzmauriceRG@state.gov.
- 12. Visa: All visitors to Uzbekistan regardless of length of stay and purpose of visit must obtain an Uzbek visa. Travelers are strongly advised to apply for Uzbek visas at least one month prior to their expected travel. Travelers should check the details of their visa validity dates and number of entries issued. Travelers not holding diplomatic passports must complete two currency forms prior to entering Tashkent customs control. The second form must be kept in their possession until departure from Uzbekistan.
- 14. Climate/dress: During the summer period the weather conditions in Uzbekistan are hot and dry. Temperatures typically range between 90 and 110 degrees Fahrenheit. Tashkent is a cosmopolitan city where most modern dress is accepted. However, dress in places like markets, the old part of Tashkent, and outside of Tashkent is more conservative. Standard business dress is the attire during working hours.
- 15. Medical Assistance: The post has a small Health Unit with a Foreign Service Health Practitioner. Stocks of medication are not extensive; therefore, travelers should carry any non-prescription and prescription medicines for which they anticipate a need. For medical emergencies, visitors are sometimes referred to the Tashkent International Medical Clinic (TIMC) for assistance. The address is 38 Sarikulskaya Street, tel.: (998 71) 191-0142, 191-0726, and fax: 191-2246. Transactions at that facility are in dollars and must be paid at the time of the visit. TIMC is unable to bill your insurance company. If you have a medical condition(s) that require frequent follow-up or may necessitate emergency care, be aware that medical facilities

are very limited and contact post prior to finalizing your travel. $\ensuremath{\mathsf{HANSON}}$